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changes he believes are necessary in the act? Again, I will note that we now have, in fact they've been developed over a couple of years and are now only really available to us, additional tools for analyzing the effectiveness of the act and discussing with you whether it has been effective and how we might be able to make it more effective. So, in some respects, we simply needed a little bit more time to give us the appropriate tools to do that work. I expect that we will do the work in any event, but...because it will be useful for future...future work, but that is the reason that I'm asking this Legislature to extend the life of the Quality Jobs Act from February 1, 2000, to January 1, 2001, as you see it in the green copy of the bill. The committee amendment is the result of a disagreement amongst the committee about when the extension should occur and, Mr. President, if we can move to the committee amendment, I will describe that for you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wickersham, on the committee amendments. (AM2759, Legislative Journal page 1026.)

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. President. The committee amendment is a very simple amendment. I don't see how you can have any other kind of an amendment on a simple bill. Senator Chambers may be able to advise us how to do complicated amendments to a simple bill, but, at any rate, the committee amendment is simple. It simply would extend the sunset date to July 1 of 2001, rather than the January 1, 2001 date for the bill as introduced. With that, Mr. President, I would ask for the support of my colleagues for adoption of the committee amendment, should we ever get to vote on it.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. For debate on the committee amendments, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I didn't like this bill when it was first presented to us. I fought manfully against it. I did not succeed, obviously, so I intend two years later to finish the work that I started then. And because a number of my colleagues were not here at the time this bill was enacted, I have procured the transcript of our debate. These pages are numbered 1362 through 1932 or something like that, roughly 600 pages. I intend to read the entire